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Re: New U.S. Patent Application

Title: METH

METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR TRANSACTION RECORD DELIVERY USING

THRESHOLDS AND MULTI-STAGE PROTOCOL

Inventor: Marc E. Strohwig, et al.

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- 1. Application 37 pages including cover sheet, 5 independent claims and 16 claims total.
- 2. Drawings 14 sheets of informal drawings (Figures 1-8).

Applicant claims the right to priority based on Provisional Patent Application No. 60,146,593 filed July 30, 1999. Applicants are filing this utility application on July 31, 2000 (a Monday).

This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicant awaits notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration.

Please accord this application a serial number and filing date.

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Respectfully submitted,

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